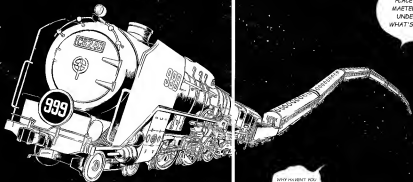


SOME SAY THAT FOR NO  
REASON THE UNIVERSE  
HAPPENS TO BE AN  
UNBEARABLE, LONELY PLACE.  
TRAVELERS PASSING THROUGH,  
AS IF BY AGREEMENT, CLOSE  
THE BLINDS, SO AS NOT TO SEE  
WHAT IS SO DEPRESSING TO  
THEIR HEARTS...



# STOP 45 MII-KUN'S RESIDENCE



WHAT A LONELY  
PLACE THIS IS  
MAETEL... I DON'T  
UNDERSTAND.  
WHAT'S THE DEAL?

WHY HAVEN'T YOU  
COVERED THE  
ALPES, TETSURO?  
DO YOU STILL PLAN  
TO LOOK OUT?



NEXT STOP:  
MIZUKUNI  
RESIDENCE.  
STOP TIME:  
38 HOURS  
AND 15  
SECONDS.

BUT IT SEEMS  
THAT SHE'S ONE  
OF THOSE WHO  
ARE BETTER NOT  
TO ANGER

SHE  
LOOKS SO  
GENTLE...

THAT'S A  
STRANGE  
NAME FOR A  
STATION.



SUCH A WARM AND  
SOOTHING  
BLOSSOM. BUT AT  
THE SAME TIME  
THIS PLACE LOOKS  
AWFULLY LONELY.

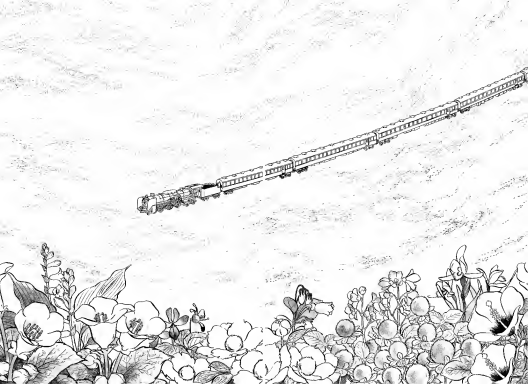


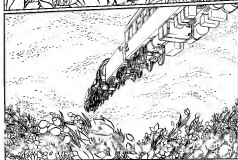
THE BLACK OUTER  
DARKNESS OF THE  
PLANET RADIATED WITH  
A GENTLE WARMTH, AND  
APPARENTLY WAS VERY  
PLEASANT. WHY, THEN,  
DID IT SEEM SO LONELY  
TO TETSURUOU?



USUALLY WHEN WE  
COME TO A STATION  
THE WHISTLE  
BLOWS. BUT THIS  
TIME THERE IS  
COMPLETE SILENCE

YES, WE WANT  
TO AVOID  
FRIGHTENING THE  
INHABITANTS OF  
THIS RESIDENCE







THIS  
STATION  
LOOKS LIKE  
A TOY

IT'S MORE LIKE  
A STATION OF  
THE  
CHILDREN'S  
FAIRY TALES.

THEY'RE  
GETTING  
OFF  
HERE!

WELL,  
LET'S GET  
OFF,  
LITTLE  
ONE!





I KNOW... POOR  
LITTLE ONE...  
IT'S SO SAD...



DO NOT BE  
AFRAID  
IT'S A GOOD  
PLACE

MEOW  
MEOW  
MEOW



IT'S PAINTED AS  
IF IT'S ALL FOR  
JUST CHILDREN

SHALL WE  
HEAD FOR  
THE HOTEL  
THEN?

YES...



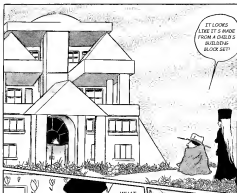
THEY'RE  
BOTH  
CRYING...



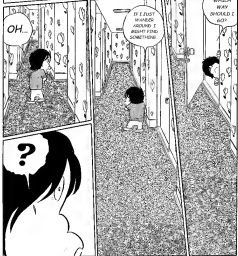
IN THE ENTIRE  
UNIVERSE, THIS  
IS THE NICEST  
AND EASIEST  
PLACE TO  
RESIDE AT.

BUT IT SMELLS  
GOOD HERE... AND  
THE WEATHER IS  
JUST RIGHT.  
A REAL NICE  
PLACE.







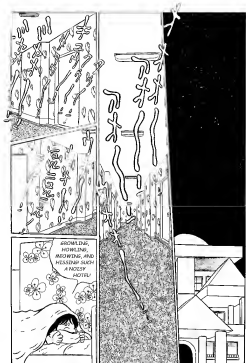


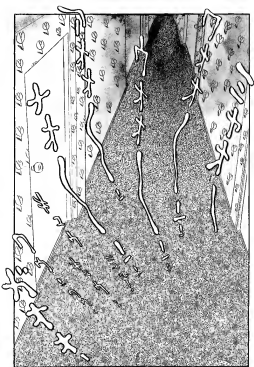












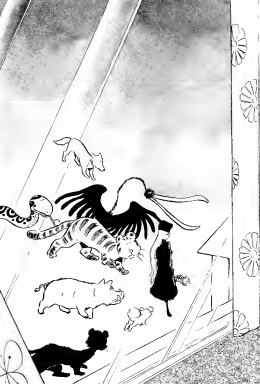
CAN MAETEL  
NOT HEAR THIS  
RACKET AT ALL?  
OR AM I JUST  
GOING CRAZY?





AT NIGHT, MIL-KUN'S RESIDENCE WAS FILLED WITH THE CRIES OF ANIMALS. THOSE CRIES WERE NEITHER HAPPY NOR TERRIFYING. NO... THE CRIES OF THESE ANIMALS SEEMED SORROWFUL, WHICH LED TO TETAROU'S HEART ACHING. BUT AS FOR THE REASON IT ACHED, HE DID NOT KNOW WHY...









DO NOT ACT  
MALIGNOUSLY  
TOWARDS  
THE ANIMALS  
HERE!!!

YOU WERE  
RIDING ON  
THE TRAIN  
WITH A  
KITEN



DO NOT BE AFRAID,  
TETSUROU, THESE  
ANIMALS ARE NOT  
DANGEROUS

REALLY?



AT NIGHT THEY  
MADE SUCH A  
COMMOTION  
THAT I COULD  
HARDLY SLEEP

THESE  
ARE KIND  
PETS

THEY ARE ALL  
KIND PETS  
AND GREAT  
FRIENDS OF  
HUMANS







WHO  
AM I?

I AM  
MII-KUN.

MII-KUN



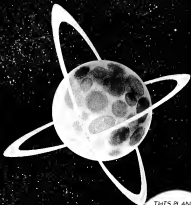
HHMM

I WAS A FEMALE CAT  
DURING MY LIFETIME,  
BUT SINCE AS I WAS  
STRONG LIKE A MALE,  
I WAS NICKNAMED  
MII-KUN



I WILL TRAVEL  
FOREVER BETWEEN  
THOSE CHILDREN  
AND THIS PLANET,  
BRINGING THE  
SOULS OF THEIR  
BELOVED PETS  
HERE.

I WISH FOR ALL OWNERS OF  
DECEASED PETS, ESPECIALLY  
CHILDREN, WHO LOOK UP AT THE  
NIGHT SKY, TO KNOW THAT  
THEIR PETS LIVE HAPPILY ON A  
WORLD KNOWN AS PET KING'S  
RESDOMES, SO THEY  
CAN REST EASY.



THIS PLANET  
IS MY GIFT  
TO THOSE  
CHILDREN

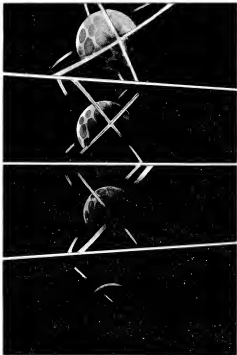


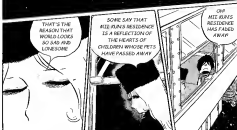
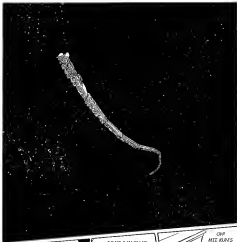
EVEN OUR  
DEPARTURE IS  
SILENT  
CONSEQUENTLY  
IN ORDER NOT TO  
FRIGHTEN THE  
ANIMALS.



KNOWING THAT SUCH  
A WORLD EXISTS  
EVEN IF I WERE TO  
LOSE A CAT, DOG, OR  
ANY ANIMAL, MY  
HEART COULD  
REST EASY.







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ANY TRAVELER WHO HAS  
LOST THEIR PET TO DEATH  
HAS OCCASIONALLY COME  
ACROSS MII-KUN'S RESIDENCE.  
YET, THAT RESIDENCE'S  
ACTUAL LOCATION IS A  
MYSTERY TO ALL. FOR IT ONLY  
MIGHT EXIST NOWHERE ELSE.  
BUT INSIDE OUR HEARTS...